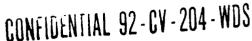
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A.	Monsanto has been assisting the Illinois Environmental Pro-	_ !	MIC PR
	tection Agency in determining the content of the soil samp!		MP & R PR
	and therefore the release of the information concerning the	e !	MTC PR
	findings should come from the IEPA in Springfield. However	r, I	INT'L PR
	the results of both analyses were generally in agreement		E. N. Brasfield
	within the accuracy of the testing and sampling techniques.	. c	C. P. Cunningham
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Q.	DO YOU HAVE ANY IDEA ON WHERE THE MATERIAL CAME FROM?	M	M. Dmytryszyn
			M. R. Foresman
A.	It would be purely speculation on my part to say where		P. E. Heisler
	the material in Dead Creek came from.		J. W. Molloy
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Q.	HAS MONSANTO EVER BEEN IMPLICATED AS THE CAUSE OF THE		W. B. Papageorge
	PROBLEM?		P. S. Park
			R. H. Sinise
Α.	No. Keep in mind that Dead Creek is near a highly indus-		J. J. Spano
	trialized area. Monsanto has never been implicated as the		M. C. Throdahl
	source of the Dead Creek situation. The IEPA may have some ideas as to what the cause is, but I couldn't really say.	e W	W. W. Varnado

Q. DID MONSANTO EVER USE DEAD CREEK AS A DUMPING AREA?...SAY 20 YEARS AGO WHEN WASTE PRACTICES WERE DIFFERENT THAN THEY ARE TODAY.

A. No. Monsanto has never disposed of wastes in Dead Creek.

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Q. HOW DID MONSANTO GET INVOLVED IN THE SOIL SAMPLING?

A. Monsanto offered to assist the IEPA in determining the soil content of Dead Creek. We had the analytical resources to help and as far as proximity, we were close. Monsanto, as a responsible industrial citizen of the community, is concerned about Dead Creek and we hope that our assistance will help resolve the situation.

(The reporter said he had been in contact with IEPA in Springfield and will wait for its SOURCE OF ANSWER HANDLED BY: report.)

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